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Mr. Allen H. Rhodes
Registrar of Contractors
1818 W. Adams
Phoenix, Arizona

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ARIZONA ATTORNEY GENERAL

Dear Mr. Rhodes:

Your letter of August 25, 1960, requests our opinion as to whether or not your department may legally refuse to accept an application from an applicant when said applicant has been convicted of contracting without a license within one year preceding his making of the application and also if the Registrar may refuse to accept an application when the applicant does not show sufficient practical experience in the field.

A letter opinion dated February 18, 1960, Letter Opinion No. 60-31-L, directed to your office, is to the effect that under paragraph 3, §32-1122, Arizona Revised Statutes, you may turn down an application when you feel facts exist which indicate that the applicant has been engaged in the contracting business without obtaining a license within one year prior to making the application.

This section of the statute does not refer to a conviction of contracting without a license within one year preceding the application. Therefore, if the applicant has not been engaged in the contracting business within one year prior to the application, even though he may have been convicted within one year prior, he shall have met the requirement under paragraph 3, §32-1122, A.R.S.

I understand from our telephone conversation that the second part of your request regarding the practical experience of the applicant has been answered, and you no longer desire an opinion on this.

We trust this will assist you in your problem.

Sincerely,

ROBERT W. PICKRELL
The Attorney General